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TO : Chief of Logistics

FROM : Acting Chief, Supply Division

SUBJECT: Weekly Activity Report

DATE: 7 January 1954

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1. GENERAL:

a. [REDACTED] (continued item)

(1) On 4 January, the transfer of trucks and drivers from the Transportation Division was effected. A transportation officer and dispatcher were included in the turn-over of these functions to the depot, which will coordinate and direct over-the-road truck movements as well as local drayage requirements. Several meetings have been held with drivers and cognizant personnel to become fully apprised of operating difficulties and to take adequate steps for their resolution.

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b. Supply Training: (continued item)

Instructors have been briefed on proposed changes to the Supply phase of the Logistics Support Course and efforts are being directed to polish up presentations for use during the next course.

2. PROJECTS AND STUDIES IN PROCESS:a. Flex-O-Print Catalog: (continued item)

A meeting was held with [REDACTED] representatives to discuss terms of the service contract and possible commencement date of installation work on the new catalog. It will be essential, it was found, to have the installation engineer cleared in order that we will be able to discuss cataloging of classified material under the new system. It is tentatively planned to commence cataloging of non-classified items (office supplies and equipment and medical items) in approximately six weeks when deliveries of materials and equipment used in the Flex-O-Print process is to be completed.

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3. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST:

a. Supply Regulations: (continued item)

The headquarters series of the Supply Regulations, which have currently received working level collaboration from interested offices, have been retyped and forwarded for submission to the Regulations Control Staff, DD/A.

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b. Waterfront Strike on the East Coast: (new and completed item)

The Chief, [REDACTED] reports that the waterfront dispute ended on 3 January 1954 and there are no indications of an immediate strike along the New Jersey and New York waterfronts. However, close contacts are being kept with [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] activities in the area as to possibilities of a wildcat strike which would disrupt ocean shipping in that area.

c. Storage of Biologicals and Antibiotics at [REDACTED]:
(new and completed item)

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(1) At a meeting with representatives of the Medical Office, it was determined that biologicals and antibiotics which possess an expiration or shelf life date would not be stocked in the [REDACTED] Depot. This action resulted from a recent survey of such stocks by the depot, which indicated that a number of these items will have to be returned to Washington or disposed of locally due to the imminence of expiration date or potency of the drug. The Medical Office will confirm to the Logistics Office their agreement to this decision on the distribution of medical stocks within the U. S. Requirements from FE for these medical items will be handled at headquarters.

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(2) In further discussions with the Medical people, it developed that Medical does not have clear authority to obtain logistical support for routine medical supplies at DOD installations overseas. [REDACTED] of Medical, feels that such support should be firmed up with the military and that Medical is in position to present item requirements in furtherance of this arrangement.

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4. MAJOR PROBLEMS:

None

5. MAJOR OBJECTIVES:

Refer to Weekly Activity Report of 10 December for current status of objectives.

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